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REMARKS

Claim 3 is amended to correct a spelling error. No new matter has been added herewith.

Restriction Requirement

Restriction to one of the following groups was required under 35 U.S.C. § 121 and 372:

Group I: Claims 1-10, drawn to a genetic reference standard.

Group II: Claim 11, drawn to a method of detecting a genetic variant in a sample containing human DNA.

Response to Restriction Requirement

Applicant elects Group I, encompassing Claims 1-10.

Request for Rejoinder

Upon allowance of Group I claims, Applicant respectfully requests rejoinder of withdrawn Claim 11, which is dependent on the elected Group I claims and includes all of the limitations of Claim 1.

No Disclaimers or Disavowals

Although the present communication may include alterations to the application or claims, or characterizations of claim scope or referenced art, Applicant is not conceding in this application that previously pending claims are not patentable over the cited references. Rather, any alterations or characterizations are being made to facilitate expeditious prosecution of this application. Applicant reserves the right to pursue at a later date any previously pending or other broader or narrower claims that capture any subject matter supported by the present disclosure, including subject matter found to be specifically disclaimed herein or by any prior prosecution. Accordingly, reviewers of this or any parent, child or related prosecution history shall not reasonably infer that Applicant has made any disclaimers or disavowals of any subject matter supported by the present application.

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Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

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